Swayamsidha Scheme

697. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Uttar Pradesh Government have approached Government under Swayamsidha Scheme recently;

(b) if so, the details of the objectives of the scheme and how far it shall be beneficial to the women and children;

(c) the financial and other relief funds released to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the total number of women and children benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The objective of the Scheme is all-round empowerment of women, especially socially and economically, by ensuring their direct access to, and control over resources through a sustained process of mobilization and convergence of all the on-going sectoral programmes.

(c) The details of grant released to Government of UP under Swayamsidha is as under:—

	(Rs. in lakhs)
2000-01	25.23
2001-02	159.18
2002-03	—
2003-04	122.44
2004-05	—
2005-06	—
2006-07	100.00

(d) The number of women covered under Swayamsidha in Uttar Pradesh is 1,32,000. Children are not covered under the Scheme.